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FORMER MONTANAN AMONG FIRST WINNERS OF PRESIDENTIAL YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARDS

MISSOULA--

Marshall B. Long, an alumnus of the University of Montana and of Fergus High School in Lewistown, is one of 200 engineers and scientists selected to receive the first Presidential Young Investigator Awards, according to the White House Office of Science and Technology.

They will each receive up to \$100,000 for five years, or a possible total of \$500,000, in a combination of federal and private matching funds.

The awards program, administered by the National Science Foundation, is intended to help universities attract and retain outstanding young faculty researchers. A total of 232 institutions submitted 1,549 nominations for the 200 awards.

Long is an associate professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Yale, where he earned M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in applied physics. He took a B.A. in physics at UM in 1976.

He grew up on a farm near Lewistown and visits Montana twice a year.

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